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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/781,565	02/18/2004	Joaquin Torres	STM107-02357	9299

TITLE OF INVENTION: PROCESS FOR FABRICATING AN INTEGRATED ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT THAT INCORPORATES AIR GAPS

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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Application No. : 10/781,565  
Filed : February 18, 2004  
For : PROCESS FOR FABRICATING AN INTEGRATED ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT THAT INCORPORATES AIR GAPS  
Art Unit : 2811  
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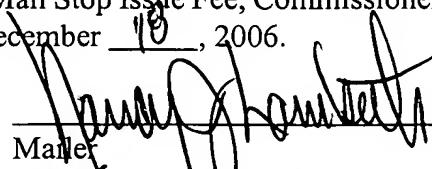
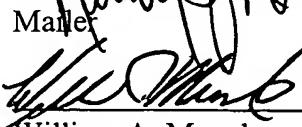
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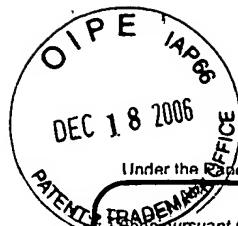
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### Complete if Known

Application Number	10/781,565
Filing Date	February 18, 2004
First Named Inventor	Joaquin Torres
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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
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Small Entity  
Fee (\$) Fee (\$)

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Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

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Multiple dependent claims

360 180

##### Total Claims

##### Extra Claims

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##### Fee Paid (\$)

##### Multiple Dependent Claims

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